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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ELAB, ETRD, IT  
SUBJ: UAW PROPOSES QUOTAS ON AUTO IMPORTS

REF : STATE 58180

1. MARCH 22 LEONARD WOODCOCK TESTIMONY BEFORE SENATE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE TO REQUEST TEMPORARY QUOTA ON AUTO IMPORTS  
WAS REPORTED ON FRONT PAGE OF MARCH 23 /LA STAMPA/ OF TURIN  
(/STAMPA/ IS OWNED BY THE AGNELLI FAMILY WHICH CONTROLS FIAT).

2. ARTICLE GIVES OBJECTIVE ACCOUNT OF SUBSTANCE OF WOODCOCK  
TESTIMONY. IT SUGGESTS THAT US AUTO IMPORTERS DO NOT APPEAR  
TO BE OVERLY CONCERNED WITH WOODCOCK PROPOSALS, NOTING THAT  
SUCH PROTECTIONIST MEASURES WOULD HAVE EXTREMELY SERIOUS  
REPERCUSSIONS UPON ALREADY DELICATE STATE OF US-EUROPEAN AND US-  
JAPANESE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS. ARTICLE CAUTIONS,  
NEVERTHELESS, THAT IN CURRENT US SETTING THE DANGER OF SUCH  
QUOTA PROPOSALS CANNOT BE DISMISSED -- SUGGESTING THAT PRESIDENT  
NIXON MIGHT JUST ACCEDE TO UNION REQUEST TO HELP IMPROVE HIS  
SAGGING IMAGE WITH LABOR. ARTICLE POINTS OUT THAT FIAT IS  
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CONSIDERABLY LESS DEPENDENT ON US MARKET THAN A NUMBER OF OTHER

MANUFACTURERS, ALTHOUGH FIAT HAD BEEN COUNTING ON CONSIDERABLE GROWTH IN 1974 US SALES TO HELP OFFSET EXPECTED DECLINE IN EUROPEAN SALES RESULTING FROM ENERGY CRISIS.

3. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE NO OTHER ITALIAN NEWSPAPERS HAVE PICKED UP THE SUBJECT.VOLPE

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